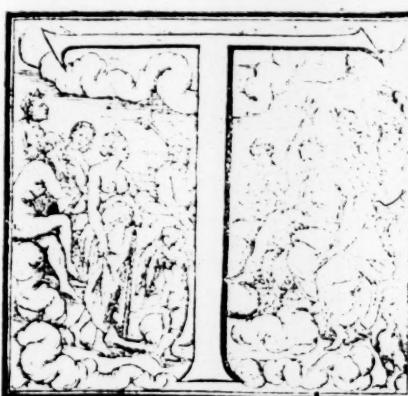


By the Kynge and the Quene.



He kynge and Quenes most excellent Maiesties, most gra-
ciously considering how that a great quantitie offorged & counterfeit
coynes, of Golde, as wel of thys Realme as of other Realmes beyng cur-
rante within the same, hath bene of late, and daylye is counterfeit for-
ged and brought into their sayd maiesties Realme, by dyuerse noug-
tynge and evill dysposed personis, to the great dyscrete prejudice losse, and
hynderaunce of their louynge Subiectes, receyuyng the same, and
more is lyke daylye to be ysome conuenient remedye shold not be the
soner prouyded in that behalfe. Theyz maiesties therefore myndyng not onely to geue knowledge, and
waryng therof to all theyz sayd louynge subiectes, but also to put suche counterfeytours, and naughtye
persones in feare, that woulde goe about hereafter to commyt such lyke offences, doo by this theyz hygh-
nes proclamation warne and admonysh all theyz sayde louynge Subiectes, that they, no; any of theym,
after the proclaymyng hereof, take, or receyue in payment, or other wyse, any of the sayd coynes of gold
of this realme, or anye other coynes of golde, beyng curraunt within the same, except they, and euery of
them do fynde trye the same coynes of golde by weyght, or knowe by other meanes the goodnes thereof,
so as they, ne any of them be deceaued in receauyng of the same. And if they, or any of them shal upon tri-
all as aforesayde, fynde any of the sayde coynes to be forged or counterfeit, that then they, and euerye of
them, shall immedately deface, or cause to be defaced, and breake, or cause to be broken in pecces, every such
counterfeyt coigne and coynies, and the same so defased and broken, shal with conuenient sped, deliuer
or cause to be deliuered to the next Justyce of the peace of the county where they, or any of them shal then
dwell or inhabyte. Chargynge and commaundynge all suche Justices of peace as shall receaue any suche
counterfeyt coynes, defased and broken in maner and fourme aforesayde, to retayne, and kepe the same,
vntyll the next Assises to be holden within such countye and countyes, where suche counterfeyte coigne
shalbe so defased broken and deliuered, and shall then deliuer the same to the Justyces of assise to be by
them brought vp, and deliuered to the Lordes and others of theyz maiesties priuie counsayle, attendaunt
upon theyz moost roiall persons.

Seuen at our maner of Grenewych the thirde day of Apryll.

God saue the kynge and the Quene.

Excusum Londini in aedibus Iohannis Cawalli

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Anno M.D.L VI. Cum privilegio.

anno 2 et 3 Regis